

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application.

#### **Listing of the Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A coating film-stripping solution containing, as essential components, a stripping substance consisting of sodium ethoxide, an amide compound consisting of N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone, and a stripping co-solvent consisting of a mixed solvent of a solvent (A) having a water solubility of 5% by weight or more and consisting of at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of ketones, butanol, mono- or polyalkylene glycols and (poly)alkylene glycol alkyl ether acetates, with a solvent (B) having a water solubility less than 5% by weight and consisting of at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of aromatic solvent and paraffin solvent, sodium ethoxide being contained in the range 0.5 to 10% by weight based on total weight of the stripping substance, the amide compound and the stripping co-solvent.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

Claim 3 (Canceled)

Claim 4 (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Canceled)

Claim 6 (Canceled)

Claim 7 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film.

Claim 8 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by washing with water to strip the cured coating film, and drying.

Claim 9 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film, washing with water, and drying.

Claim 10 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 8, wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by heating at a temperature of 40 to 100°C.

Claim 11 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 8, wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by partly or wholly covering the surface of the resulting coating film with a sheet.

Claim 12 (Canceled)

Claim 13 (Canceled)

Claim 14 (Canceled)

Claim 15 (Canceled)

Claim 16 (Canceled)

Claim 17 (Canceled)

Claim 18 (Canceled)

Claim 19 (Canceled)

Claim 20 (Canceled)

Claim 21 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 2 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film.

Claim 22 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 3 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film.

Claim 23 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 4 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film.

**Claim 24 (Withdrawn):** A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 5 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film.

**Claim 25 (Withdrawn):** A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 6 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film.

**Claim 26 (Withdrawn):** A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 2 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by washing with water to strip the cured coating film, and drying.

**Claim 27 (Withdrawn):** A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 3 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by washing with water to strip the cured coating film, and drying.

**Claim 28 (Withdrawn):** A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 4 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by washing with water to strip the cured coating film, and drying.

Claim 29 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 5 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by washing with water to strip the cured coating film, and drying.

Claim 30 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 6 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by washing with water to strip the cured coating film, and drying.

Claim 31 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 2 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film, washing with water, and drying.

Claim 32 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 3 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film, washing with water, and drying.

Claim 33 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 4 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film, washing with water, and drying.

Claim 34 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 5 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film, washing with water, and drying.

Claim 35 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method, which comprises coating a coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 6 onto the surface of a cured coating film adhered to a substrate, followed by stripping the cured coating film, washing with water, and drying.

Claim 36 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 9, wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by heating at a temperature of 40 to 100°C.

Claim 37 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 8 wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 20 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by heating at a temperature of 40 to 100°C.

Claim 38 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 9, wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 20 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by heating at a temperature of 40 to 100°C.

Claim 39 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 9, wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by partly or wholly covering the surface of the resulting coating film with a sheet.

Claim 40 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 8, wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 20 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by partly or wholly covering the surface of the resulting coating film with a sheet.

Claim 41 (Withdrawn): A coating film-stripping method as claimed in claim 9, wherein coating of the coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 20 onto the surface of the cured coating film adhered to the substrate is followed by partly or wholly covering the surface of the resulting coating film with a sheet.

Claim 42 (Previously Presented): A coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solvent (A) is ketones.

Claim 43 (Previously Presented): A coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solvent (A) is butanol.

Claim 44 (Previously Presented): A coating film-stripping solution as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solvent (B) is aromatic solvent.